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St. Andrew's Anglican Church

January 29, 2017

Annual Meeting Feb. 26; Chili Cook-off returns

The Annual Parish Meeting will be Sunday, Feb. 26, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This meeting will be an opportunity to hear from Fr. Ron Baird and members of the Vestry about the state of the parish in 2016, and look ahead to what's planned for 2017.

It's also an opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the 2016 Annual Report, which will be available on Sunday, Feb. 19. Child care will be available.

The St. Andrew's Youth Group will also host its annual Chili Cook-off at 2 p.m. that day, so mark Feb. 26 on your calendar, and plan to come out to enjoy some chili, and stay to hear what God is doing in our midst!

Details about the Chili Cook-off and how you can enter your favorite recipe in the contest will be available next week.

Ministry reports due Feb. 8

Ministry reports for inclusion in the 2016 Annual Report are due no later than Wednesday, Feb. 8. The 2016 Annual Report will be made available to the parish on Sunday, Feb. 19 in preparation for the Annual Meeting on Sunday, Feb. 26. Ministry leaders may download an electronic copy of the report form, which includes a suggested outline for your report, from the "Forms and Downloads" tab at standrewspolaris.org. A hard copy of the form is available in the Narthex. You may also download a copy of the 2015 Annual Report from the "Forms and Downloads" tab if you'd like to see what your ministry submitted last year.

Please also remember to include your ministry's mission statement and goals!

For more information, please contact Judy Baird at jbaird@standrewspolaris.org or 740-548-5112, ext. 3.

Mark your calendars!

Lent begins March 1 with Ash Wednesday! Watch for details about our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper the night before, and our 2017 Lenten Study Program, which begins March 7.

Ernie Tracy to be ordained deacon in the Anglican Church Tuesday, Feb. 7

The Rev. Ernie Tracy, a retired United Methodist pastor who has been attending St. Andrew's since 2012, will be ordained to the Sacred Order of the Diaconate in the Anglican Diocese of the Great Lakes next Tuesday, Feb. 7. The ordination will be held at 7 p.m. at Holy Spirit Anglican Church, 1446 South Main Street, Akron.

The Rt. Rev. Ronald Jackson, bishop, will also be ordaining two other people to the Diaconate, and four people to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood, including Terry Gatwood, a former member of our parish.

Please keep Ernie and his wife Candy, an active member of our parish who is one of our Children's Chapel leaders, in your prayers as they embark upon this new ministry. We look forward to having Ernie, who has been preaching and teaching at St. Andrew's, take a more active role at the Christ's altar here at St. Andrew's.

Common Ground seeks new board members

Common Ground Free Store Ministries currently has several positions open on their Board of Directors. Marty Scott is stepping down after serving for an extended term, and because of St. Andrew's strong commitment to and involvement with the Free Store, the Board would like to see another director from our church.

Responsibilities include setting the direction, monitoring the progress, and evaluating overall performance of the organization. A complete description of director duties is available on our website, standrewspolaris.org.

Common Ground Free Store Ministries is a partnership between Delaware County churches, business, civic organizations and caring citizens. Everything at the Free Store — from clothing, shoes, diapers and linens, to small appliances, books and toys — is free to those in need. There are no income requirements, no questions and no scrutiny; only the support of people who care. God's mercy does not come with a price tag.

If you are interested in serving this important outreach ministry, please contact Marty Scott at msscott@standrewspolaris.org or 614-284-0182.

'Celebrate Marriage' anniversary dinner Feb. 11

The Celebrate Marriage Small Group will host a dinner on Saturday, Feb. 11, for all couples at St. Andrew's who celebrated wedding anniversaries this winter (December through February). The event will be held at the church at 7 p.m., and will feature a showing of the movie "The War Room." Snacks and finger food (popcorn, cookies, etc) will be available for couples to enjoy.

Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex. For more information, please contact Larry and Patti Cooper at celebratemarriagegroup@gmail.com or 740-369-0832.

The Celebrate Marriage Small Group meets regularly on the second and fourth Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Parish House. With Valentine's Day falling on the second Tuesday in February, the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on the fourth Tuesday, and the parish-wide Lenten Study Program on Tuesdays in March and April, the group will be taking a break over the next several months. Its next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 25.

Harlem Wizards to perform for 'Libraries for Liberia' fund-raiser

The Harlem Wizards show basketball team will bring their "tricks, hoops and alley oops" to Westerville Central High School next Monday, Feb. 6, to benefit Libraries for Liberia, a project St. Andrew's and our International Outreach Ministry has

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The Daily Lectionary

Week of the Fourth Sunday of Epiphany • Jan. 29-Feb. 4

Sunday, January 29 — A.M.: Psalms 139 & 140; Amos 7; John 7:53—8:11 P.M.: Psalm 141, 142, 143; Isaiah 54:1-14; Luke 13:1-17

Monday, January 30 — A.M.: Psalms 144, 145 & 146; Jeremiah 1: 1-10) 11-19; 2 Corinthians 1:1—2:11 P.M.: Psalms 147, 148, 149 & 150; Jeremiah 2:1-13 (2_14—3)25); 2 Corinthians 2:12—3:18

Tuesday, January 31 — A.M.: Psalm 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125 & 126; Jeremiah 4:1-18 (19-31); 2 Corinthians 4 P.M.: Psalm 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, & 134; Jeremiah 5:1-19; 2 Corinthians 5

Wednesday, February 1 — A.M.: Psalms 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5; Jeremiah 5:20-31; 2 Corinthians 5:20—7:1 P.M.: Psalms 6, 7, & 8; Jeremiah 6:1-21 (22-30); 2 Corinthians 7:2-16

Thursday, February 2 — A.M.: Psalms 9, 10, 11; Jeremiah 7:1-28 (29-34): 2 Corinthians 8 P.M.: Psalms 2, 13, 14; Jeremiah 8; 2 Corinthians 9

Friday, February 3 — A.M.: Psalms 15, 16, 17; Jeremiah 9:1-24 (9:25—10:25) 2 Corinthians 10 P.M.: Psalm 18; Jeremiah 11 (12); 2 Corinthians 11

Saturday, January 4 — A.M.: Psalms 19, 20, 21; Jeremiah (13) 14; 2 Corinthians 12:1-13 P.M.: Psalms 22, 23; Jeremiah 15 (16); 2 Corinthians 12:14—13:1-14

Sunday, January 5 — A.M.: Psalms 24, 25, 26; Amos 8:4-15; John 7:14-36 P.M.: Psalms 27, 28, 29; Isaiah 60; Mark 2. 1-12

Next Sunday's Lectionary • January 29 (The Fifth Sunday of Epiphany Year A)

First Reading: Habakkuk 3:(1), 2-15, (16-19)

Psalm 27 (BCP 617)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Bishops Michael Igrave, Mark Rylands, Geoffrey Annas, Clive Gregory, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Lichfield, one of the 41 dioceses in the Church of England.

The Lichfield Diocese traces its roots back to AD 656 when the Diocese of Mercia was formed. In AD 664, Saint Chad moved the seat of the diocese from Repton to Lichfield. The city's name means "Field of the Dead" and is believed to stem from the slaughter of 1,000 Christians in the city during the persecution of the Roman emperor Diocletian. From a troubled beginning, Lichfield has had a troubled past, having been ravaged by the Vikings and laid siege to during the English Civil War.

Lichfield remains one of the largest dioceses in the Church of England, serving a population of just under two million people in 1,744 square miles. The Diocese has 502 active clergy and 583 churches and 427 parishes completely in England, and even three parishes which straddle the Welsh border. In 2015, average weekly attendance was 40,000 (the average does not include the considerably higher Christmas and Easter figures) and there were 761 confirmations that year, slightly more than the previous year.

Education is a high priority and the Diocese operates 196 primary schools, six middle schools, and four secondary schools, with a total of 44,000 pupils.

A geographically dispersed monastic community, the Community of St. Chad, was founded in 2014, and welcomes both women and men for commitments of at least 12 months, and had grown to 125 members as of March 2016. The Diocese is also very actively engaged in sending out missionaries to other parts of the world.

Please pray especially for the continued success of the Diocesan program "Growing Disciples," for the Community of St. Chad, and for ongoing evangelism and youth involvement.

Following the diocesan cycle of prayer, please pray for Fr. Jim Burr, Fr. Mark Engel, Deacon Terri Engel, Deacon Elisabeth Engel, Deacon Scot Lahaie, Deacon Traci Batchel, Deacon Manny Chavarria, Deacon CJ Alquire, and the people of Bread of Life Anglican Painesville, Ohio, and Gateway Church Canton, Ohio.

Following the parish cycle of prayer, please pray for Wini Cloran; Jim and Carolyn Connors; the Early Birds Bible Study; and the Finance Team.

February Birthdays

Dan Field
Barbara Girard
Ava Yorke
Jim Oxenham
Robert Patton
Bob Seyerle
Janet McNelis
Robert Schmidt
Sue McKeown
Steve Zacharias
Isabella Sylvester
Kathy Seitz
Kathy Summers
Avery Sylvester
Bernie Schramm
William Yorke
Andrew Lowery
Drew Lowery
David Alvarado

February Anniversaries

George & Barbara Girard
Joe & Celia Nelson

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

It is in prayer that we become children of God, by understanding his will and how he wants us to "grow up." "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God." (*Romans 8:14*) "Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord." (*Psalms 34:11*) — *From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team*

Women's Bible Study Feb. 7

The Tuesday morning Women's Bible Study Group will meet Tuesday, Feb. 7, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Parish House. All women of the parish are welcome.

Harlem Wizards

Continued from the front
supported in the past through a book drive and monetarily.

The show will begin at 6:30 p.m., with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Our own Justin Anthony, will also be taking the court that night with the Westerville Special Olympics basketball team, and his grandmother, Marty Scott, who coordinates our Outreach Ministries, will volunteer at the information table.

Tickets are \$8 for students in kindergarten through 12th grade, and \$10 for adults. Advanced tickets are available through Feb. 1 at Thundertix.com, by contacting Marty at 614-284-0182 or msscott@standrewspolaris.org, or by downloading a ticket order form from our website, standrewspolaris.org. Tickets will also be available at the door.